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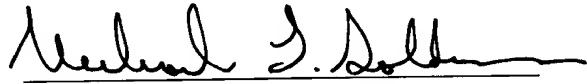
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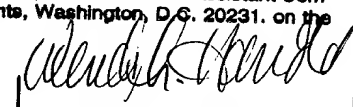
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the January 10, 2001, office action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please add new claims 39-53 as follows:

39. In a method for making a non-porous body of high purity fused silica glass comprising the steps of:

- (a) producing a gas stream containing a silicon-containing compound in vapor form capable of being converted through thermal decomposition with oxidation or flame hydrolysis to SiO₂;
- (b) passing said gas stream into the flame of a combustion burner to form amorphous particles of fused SiO₂;
- (c) depositing said amorphous particles onto a support; and